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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Conversation with Ralph Preston, House Appropriations SUBJECT: Committee staff, Concerning a Possible Appearance

by Dr. Hall

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and I met with Mr. Preston and asked him Today if there were any plans to have Dr. Hall before the Committee in the foreseeable future. Preston said Secretary Laird has been pressing Chairman Mahon to have Dr. Hall come up and brief the Committee on the work he has been doing in his present job, but Preston said frankly he (Preston) had been dragging his feet on this. He said Hall has been badgering him about an appearance and insisting that it be before the Special Group and not the Defense Subcommittee. Preston said if Hall comes up, Representative Whitten would just about take him apart. He added that no date has been set for an appearance by Hall and he seriously doubts that anything will develop until after the first of September.

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